Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-28. (Canceled)

- 29. (Currently Amended) A method of producing a material for use as a filter to purify sewage, the method comprising:
- a) providing pre-sorted plastic material wastes comprising substantially polyethylene or polypropylene;
- b) adding between about 0.01% and 5% by weight of a peroxide, with respect to the total weight of the plastic material, to the pre-sorted plastic material wastes; and
 - bc) forming the plastic material wastes into granular material.

30-44. (Canceled)

- 45. (Currently Amended) <u>A method of producing a material for use as a filter to purify sewage, the method comprising:</u>
- a) providing pre-sorted plastic material wastes comprising substantially polyethylene or polypropylene;
- b) The method as set forth in claim 29 further comprising an addition of adding between about 0.1% and 0.5% by weight of a peroxide, with respect to the total weight of the plastic material, to the pre-sorted plastic material wastes; and
 - c) forming the plastic material wastes into granular material.

46. (Canceled)

47. (Currently Amended) The method as set forth in claim 29 further emprising adding a wherein the peroxide added to the plastic material wastes is in ground form.

48-59. (Canceled)

- 60. (New) The method of claim 45 wherein the peroxide added to the plastic material wastes is in ground form.
- 61. (New) The method of claim 29 wherein the peroxide is provided by peroxide-bearing waste.
- 62. (New) The method of claim 45 wherein the peroxide is provided by peroxide-bearing waste.